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SUBCOMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

FDD PROGRAM FOR EASTERN EUROPE

The following is a description of the current FDD program for the exploitation of foreign language documents on Albania, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, and Yugoslavia. This program is devised to meet the needs of the IAC agencies as previously expressed by their representatives on the Subcommittee for the Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications and as modified through subsequent operational liaison with IAC analysts.

To the extent possible, the program includes reporting on all pertinent announcements and decrees in the designated fields with due regard being given to FBIS, legation, and other reporting.

The sources covered by the program include central and available provincial newspapers of the respective Eastern European countries, selected periodicals dealing with the subjects indicated, and selected non-orbit serial publications.

Results of the exploitation program are published in the following scheduled and unscheduled reports: Weekly Economic Information Report on Eastern Europe, Political and Sociological Information Report on Eastern Europe, Military Information Report on Eastern Europe, Selected Briefs from the International Press, Science News Items, and Biographic Cards.

1. Eastern Europe -- Economic

Weekly Economic Information Report on Eastern Europe

This report provides current economic information in the form of extracts, abstracts, and compact summaries under categories indicated by section headings of the report, subdivided by country. Unless otherwise indicated, each item is a full exploitation. Availability of photographs is indicated.

Section headings of the report are as follows:

1. Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing
2. Chemical Industry
3. Construction and Construction Materials Industry
4. Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade
5. Economic Organization, Planning, and Management
6. Geography

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7. Manufacturing Industries
8. Power and the Extractive Industries
9. Transportation and Communications

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2. Eastern Europe - Political and Sociological

Political and Sociological Information Report on Eastern Europe

This semimonthly report provides current political and sociological information in the form of extracts, abstracts, and compact summaries under categories indicated by section headings of the report, subdivided by country. Unless otherwise indicated, each item is a full exploitation. Availability of photographs is indicated.

Section headings of the report are as follows:

Part 1. Political

1. Party Policy, Activities, and Organization
2. Government Policy, Activities, and Organization
3. Mass Organizations
4. Foreign Relations
5. Activities of Satellite Leaders

Part 2. Sociological

1. Population and Manpower
2. Education, Religion, and Public Information
3. Health and Sanitation
4. Public Welfare.

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 3. Eastern Europe -- Military

Military Information Report on Eastern Europe

This monthly report provides current military and naval information in the form of extracts, abstracts, and compact summaries under categories indicated by section headings of the report, subdivided by country. Unless otherwise indicated, each item is a full exploitation. Availability of photographs is indicated.

Section headings of the report are as follows:

1. Personalities
2. Nonmilitary Employment of Military Personnel
3. Tactics, Weapons, Equipment, and Ships
4. Military and Naval Organization, Units, Installations, and Districts
5. Military and Naval Schools, Training, and Sports
6. Paramilitary Organizations and Activities *including civil defense.*
7. Miscellaneous

The last mentioned section of the report includes information on reserve officer activities, new military publications, military end item production, civil defense, cultural activities of the military, and expressions of dissatisfaction of the military.

The report is classified CONFIDENTIAL.

4. Eastern Europe -- Biographic

As a by-product of its exploitation of East European serial publications, Eastern Europe Branch produces biographic data cards on personalities of economic, political, sociological, and scientific significance whose names appear in articles which warrant no further exploitation. The information on these cards is usually limited to name, title, occupation, organizational affiliation, location, and date and source reference.

East European biographic data cards (5" x 8") are serially numbered separately for each country and disseminated to interested IAC agency components.

Biographic data cards are UNCLASSIFIED.

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5. Eastern Europe -- Official Gazettes

Annual Indexes of European Satellite Official Gazettes

Using original language subject indexes of official gazettes published by the respective European satellite governments, Eastern Europe Branch is preparing annual subject indexes to laws, official decrees, and other government pronouncements. As they become available the foreign language indexes are being translated and re-alphabetized for use as a reference aid to analysts. In some cases the foreign governments issue annual compilations of official pronouncements, listed according to issuing agency, in addition to or instead of the subject indexes. When this occurs the above mentioned compilations may be included with the annual indexes.

The indexes are to be UNCLASSIFIED.

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The following reports have been produced under the FDD Exploitation Program for Eastern Europe as of 4 March 1955:

WEEKLY ECONOMIC INFORMATION REPORT ON EASTERN EUROPE - Weekly

1 Jan-31 Mar 54	Summary	188	No. 15	Summary	292
No. 1	"	191	No. 16	"	298
No. 2	"	197	No. 17	"	308
No. 3	"	205	No. 18	"	316
No. 4	"	211	No. 19	"	327
No. 5	"	217	No. 20	"	333
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No. 8	"	238	No. 23	"	357
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No. 10	"	249	No. 27	"	391
No. 11	"	259	No. 28	"	402
No. 12	"	264	No. 29	"	411
No. 13	"	275	No. 30	"	418
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POLITICAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL INFORMATION REPORT ON EASTERN EUROPE - Semimonthly

No. 1	Summary	212
No. 2	"	237
No. 3	"	270
No. 4	"	296
No. 5	"	312
No. 6	"	332
No. 7	"	352
No. 8	"	373
No. 9	"	387
No. 10	"	407

MILITARY INFORMATION REPORT ON EASTERN EUROPE - Monthly

No. 1	Summary	189
Aug-Jun 54	"	190
No. 2	"	230
No. 3	"	256
No. 4	"	289
No. 5	"	322
No. 6	"	363
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FDD EXPLOITATION PROGRAM FOR EASTERN EUROPE

The following modifications of the current program are recommended as a result of comment from the substantive consumers of the information presented in the scheduled reports outlined above. These modifications will not affect the current work load against which full manpower available in FDD is applied for work on Eastern Europe, except for a portional reserve in some areas to support specific requests.

ECONOMIC

Weekly Economic Information Report on Eastern Europe.

I. Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing:

Include here all information on food processing, previously reported under Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade.

II. Chemical Industry: No change

III. Construction and Construction materials Industry: No change

IV. Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade: Eliminate reporting on food processing; in reporting statistics on domestic trade, national figures only will be given.

V. Economic Organization, Planning, and Management: No change

VI. Geography: No change

VII. Manufacturing Industries: No change

VIII. Power and Extractive Industries: Eliminate this category and present information currently reported herein under two subject categories, i.e. Fuels and Power, and Metals and Minerals.

IX. Transportation and Communications: No change

Addition: A category designated as Trends, under which would appear, enclosed in brackets, FDD comment on press reporting trends, reflecting economic developments within the East European countries, as observed through a daily reading of East European newspapers.

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POLITICAL

Political and Sociological Information Report on Eastern Europe

This report was recently reorganized and is currently presented as outlined below.

Part 1. Political

- I. Party Policy, Activities, and Organization: No change
- II. Government Policy, Activities, and Organization: No change
- III. Mass Organizations: No change
- IV. Foreign Relations: No change
- V. Activities of Satellite Leaders: This category has been added as a result of a consumer office requirement.
- VI. Internal Security: This category is established to include information on security police activities, and resistance and sabotage, deleted from the Selected Briefs from the International Press by Subcommittee decision.

Part 2. Sociological

- I. Population and Manpower: No change
- II. Education, Religion, and Public Information: No change
- III. Health and Sanitation: No change
- IV. Public Welfare: No change

Addition: A category designated as Trends, under which would appear, enclosed in brackets, FDD comment on press reporting trends, reflecting political and sociological developments within the East European countries, as observed through a daily reading of East European newspapers.

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MILITARY

Military Information Report on Eastern Europe

No change, except to extend coverage to editorials appearing in the military newspapers of Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, and Yugoslavia. *self criticism.*

BIOGRAPHIC

No change

Annual Indexes of European Satellite Gazettes

No change

Possible Changes in, or Additions to, the FDD Program of Reporting on Eastern Europe

The following changes in, or additions to, the FDD program, desire for which has been expressed by components of the intelligence community, would require reallocations or additions of manpower which would affect reporting in the program as presently constituted.

I. Economic, Political and Sociological

A. Elimination of FDD responsibility for East European newspaper coverage.

It has been suggested by a State Department analyst that the FDD Weekly Economic Information Report on Eastern Europe and the FDD Political and Sociological Information Report on Eastern Europe are largely duplications of Department of State Press Summaries and the FBIS Daily Report, Foreign Radio Broadcasts, USSR and Eastern Europe, and that FDD should limit its exploitation effort on East European publications to periodicals. *Central papers OK*

It is FDD's view that it could not meet the requirements of the intelligence community for military, industrial, trade, internal security, scientific, and biographic information on Eastern Europe if newspaper exploitation were eliminated from its program for Eastern Europe.

Release of FDD from the responsibility of East European newspaper exploitation would, however, release manpower for B, below.

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- B. Exploitation of monographs, originating in or pertaining to, the East European countries.

Exploitation would result in the publication of abstracts, descriptive of the content of the monographs and designed to inform the intelligence community of the availability of intelligence information in monograph form. Exploitation or research in the original monographic literature would be undertaken only on the specific request of an analyst.

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